

ADDENDUM TO  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 97-01756

COUNSEL: NONE

FEB 5 1999

HEARING DESIRED: NO

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RESUME OF CASE:

On 17 March 1998, the Board considered and denied, by a majority vote, the applicant's request that his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (CD Form 214) be corrected to reflect award of the Air Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, and Kuwait Liberation Medal. A copy of the Record of Proceedings is attached at Exhibit E.

In an application, dated 26 March 1998, the applicant provided additional documentation and requested reconsideration of his application. Applicant's complete submission is attached at Exhibit F.

On 12 June 1998, the Recognition Programs Branch, AFPC/DPPRA, advised the applicant that the documentation he provided substantiated his entitlement to the Air Medal and his records would be administratively corrected.

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AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

The Recognition Programs Branch, AFPC/DPPRA, reviewed this application and states that they have reviewed the TDY orders provided by applicant, and still cannot verify his eligibility for the Kuwait Liberation Medal or the Southwest Asia Service Medal. Therefore, they recommend denial of his requests.

A complete copy of the Air Force evaluation is attached at Exhibit G.

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APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

A complete copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant on 10 August 1998, for review and response within 30 days. However, as of this date, no response has been received by this office.

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THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

Insufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of probable error or injustice. After thoroughly reviewing the evidence of record and the additional documentation submitted by applicant, we are still not persuaded that he has been the victim of an error or injustice. Since the applicant's records have been administratively corrected to reflect award of the Air Medal, the only issue before this Board is whether or not the applicant is eligible for the Southwest Asia Service Medal and Kuwait Liberation Medal. The TDY orders the applicant has provided have been noted; however, they do not substantiate his eligibility for these medals. In the absence of copies of his Travel Vouchers indicating the locations in which he was TDY or copies of orders authorizing him as a regularly assigned crew member, we are unable to determine whether or not he flew in the Area of Responsibility (Persian Gulf) as a regularly assigned crew member, or that he was in the Area of Responsibility for 30 consecutive/60 nonconsecutive days. Therefore, in the absence of such evidence, we find no compelling basis to recommend granting the relief sought in this application.

THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT:

The applicant be notified that the additional evidence presented did not demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice; that the application was denied without a personal appearance; and that the application will only be reconsidered upon the submission of newly discovered relevant evidence not considered with this application.

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The following members of the Board considered this application in Executive Session on 4 January 1999, under the provisions of AFI

Mr. Thomas S. Markiewicz, Panel Chair  
Mr. Steven A. Shaw, Member  
Ms. Sophie A. Clark, Member  
Mr. Phillip E. Horton, Examiner (without vote)

The following documentary evidence was considered:

Exhibit E. Record of Proceedings, dated 24 Apr 98, w/atchs.  
Exhibit F. DD Form 149, dated 20 Mar 98, w/atchs.

Exhibit G. Letter, AFPC/DPPRA, dated 9 Jul 98, w/atchs.  
Exhibit H. Letter, AFBCMR, dated 10 Aug 98.

  
/ THOMAS S. MARKIEWICZ  
Panel Chair